

In-vitro testing methods should immediately be used instead of cruel and barbaric animal-testing methods. There are ways to test chemicals and drugs without the inhumane torture of innocent and defenseless animals.

Hundreds of drugs have been taken off pharmacy shelves because testing--proven "safe for humans" torture tests on animals--was found to be wrong. Animals and humans do not have the same biology or chemistry. Animal testing for use on humans is, to be blunt, irresponsible on top of cruel. The harm is done not only to animals, but also to humans because tests conducted on animals cannot ensure that humans will react the same way.

Further, the EPA made an agreement in October of 1999 to incorporate non-animal testing and spend at least \$500,000 to develop non-animal tests. The EPA has not kept this promise yet to the People and animals of this country.

In-vitro testing is the only responsible, intelligent, and humane testing method.

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